

anti-retaliation protections provided to whistleblowers, and for other purposes”; **Page H5288**

Housing Financial Literacy Act of 2019: H.R. 2162, amended, to require the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to discount FHA single-family mortgage insurance premium payments for first-time homebuyers who complete a financial literacy housing counseling program; **Pages H5278–80**

Emphasizing the importance of grassroots investor protection and the investor education missions of State and Federal securities regulators, calling on the Securities and Exchange Commission to collaborate with State securities regulators in the protection of investors: H. Res. 456, emphasizing the importance of grassroots investor protection and the investor education missions of State and Federal securities regulators, calling on the Securities and Exchange Commission to collaborate with State securities regulators in the protection of investors; **Pages H5280–82**

Improving Investment Research for Small and Emerging Issuers Act: H.R. 2919, to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to carry out a study to evaluate the issues affecting the provision of and reliance upon investment research into small issuers; **Pages H5282–83**

Expanding Investment in Small Businesses Act of 2019: H.R. 3050, amended, to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to carry out a study of the 10 per centum threshold limitation applicable to the definition of a diversified company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nay vote of 417 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 432; and **Pages H5283–85, H5288**

Expanding Access to Capital for Rural Job Creators Act: H.R. 2409, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to expand access to capital for rural-area small businesses, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nay vote of 413 yeas to 7 nays, Roll No. 433. **Pages H5285–87, H5288–89**

Recess: The House recessed at 6:17 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H5287**

Protecting Affordable Mortgages for Veterans Act of 2019: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass S. 1749, to clarify seasoning requirements for certain refinanced mortgage loans. **Page H5289**

Recess: The House recessed at 8:03 p.m. and reconvened at 11:48 p.m. **Page H5293**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5287–88, H5288, and H5288–89. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 11:49 p.m.

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 2500, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–4, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2500, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020”. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–19, modified by the amendment printed in part A of the report, shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in part B of the report and amendments en bloc described in section 3 of the resolution. Each amendment in part B may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, may be withdrawn by the proponent at any time before action thereon, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the further amendments printed in part B of the report or amendments en bloc described in section 3 of the resolution. The rule provides that the chair of the Committee on Armed Services or his designee may offer amendments en bloc consisting of amendments printed in part B of the report not earlier disposed of. Amendments en bloc shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services or their designees, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule provides that at the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill, as amended, to the House with such further amendments as may have been adopted. The question of such amendments’ adoption shall be put to

the House en gros and without division of the question. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that clause 7(a)(1) of rule XV shall not apply with respect to H.R. 553. Finally, the rule provides that it shall be in order at any time on the legislative day of July 11, 2019, or July 12, 2019, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules, as though under clause 1 of rule XV, relating to the bill (H.R. 1327) to extend authorization for the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund of 2001 through fiscal year 2090, and for other purposes. Testimony was heard from Chairman Smith of Washington, and Representatives Thornberry, Garamendi, Armstrong, Bacon, Barr, Bishop of Utah, Dunn, Gallagher, Hartzler, Lesko, Mast, Olson, Pence, Smith of New Jersey, Shimkus, Stauber, Yoho, Stivers, Wilson of South Carolina, and Wenstrup.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2019

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: business meeting to consider pending military nominations, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider S. 149, to establish a Senior Scams Prevention Advisory Council, S. 153, to promote veteran involvement in STEM education, computer science, and scientific research, S. 384, to require the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, to help facilitate the adoption of composite technology in infrastructure in the United States, S. 553, to direct the Secretary of Commerce to establish a working group to recommend to Congress a definition of blockchain technology, S. 1148, to amend title 49, United States Code, to require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to give preferential consideration to individuals who have successfully completed air traffic controller training and veterans when hiring air traffic control specialists, S. 1342, to require the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere to update periodically the environmental sensitivity index products of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for each coastal area of the Great Lakes, S. 1427, to amend the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act to improve the Network for Manufacturing Innovation Program, S. 1601, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to issue a rule requiring all new passenger motor vehicles to be equipped with a child safety alert system, S. 1611, to ensure appropriate prioritization, spectrum planning, and

interagency coordination to support the Internet of Things, S. 1694, to require any Federal agency that issues licenses to conduct activities in outer space to include in the requirements for such licenses an agreement relating to the preservation and protection of the Apollo 11 landing site, S. 1881, to provide PreCheck to certain severely injured or disabled veterans, and the nominations of Stephen M. Dickson, of Georgia, to be Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, Michelle A. Schultz, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board, and a routine list in the Coast Guard, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine investing in America's surface transportation infrastructure, focusing on the need for a multi-year reauthorization bill, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine defense cooperation, focusing on the use of emergency authorities under the Arms Export Control Act, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine how the special diabetes program is changing the lives of Americans with Type 1 diabetes, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, hearing entitled "United States Efforts to Counter Russian Disinformation and Malign Influence", 10 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce, markup on H.R. 2211, the "STURDY Act"; H.R. 3172, the "Safe Sleep Act of 2019"; H.R. 3170, the "Safe Cribs Act of 2019"; H.R. 1618, the "Nicholas and Zachary Burt Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Prevention Act of 2019"; H.R. 806, the "Portable Fuel Container Safety Act of 2019"; and H.R. 2647, the "SOFFA", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Monetary Policy and the State of the Economy", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Investor Protection, Entrepreneurship, and Capital Markets, hearing entitled "Building a Sustainable and Competitive Economy: An Examination of Proposals to Improve Environmental, Social, and Governance Disclosures", 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Full Committee, hearing entitled "About Face: Examining the Department of Homeland Security's Use of Facial Recognition and Other Biometric Technologies", 10 a.m., 310 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing entitled "Marijuana Laws in America: Racial Justice and the Need for Reform", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands, hearing on H.R. 252, the "Pershing County Economic Development and Conservation Act"; H.R. 1475, the "LOTTERY Act"; H.R. 2199, the "Central Coast Heritage Protection Act"; H.R. 2215, the "San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and